

## IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 1 (currently amended). A drive for a cleaning fan supported by a frame member of an agricultural combine, the frame member including a mounting hole therein for the drive and the fan including an input rotatable about an axis therethrough, the mounting hole being located within a range of positions relative to the axis, the drive comprising:

a motor including an output rotatable about an axis therethrough, the output being connectable in rotatably driving relation to the input of the fan when the input and the output are in axial end-to-end relation; and

a mounting element for mounting the motor to the frame member such that the output is in axial end-to-end relation to the input of the fan; and

~~a, the mounting element including a bracket mountable to the frame member by a fastener insertable into the mounting hole and fixable to the frame member, and an elongate, resiliently flexible elastomeric member connecting the output of the motor in rotatably driving relation to the rotatable input of the fan having one end which connects to the bracket and another end that connects to the motor such that the resiliently flexible elastomeric member supports the motor, the flexible member having sufficient resiliently flexibility so as to accommodate the range of positions of the mounting hole relative to the axis of the input of the fan and to allow limited variations in relative angular orientation and axial spacing between the input and the output of the motor relative to the frame member for maintaining connection of the output of the motor in axially aligned relation to the input of the fan during rotation of the fan by the motor.~~

Claim 2 (original). The drive of claim 1, wherein the output of the motor comprises a first shaft, and the input of the fan comprises a second shaft.

Claim 3 (currently amended). The drive of claim 1, wherein the ~~mounting element rigidly mounts the motor to the frame member~~ resiliently flexible member has

an elongate shape and extends longitudinally generally horizontally between the bracket and the motor.

Claim 4 (original). The drive of claim 3, wherein the mounting element allows some limited movement between the motor and the frame member.

Claim 5 (currently amended). The drive of claim 1, wherein the frame member comprises a self-leveling frame member supported on the combine for pivotal movement relative thereto, and the mounting element when supporting the motor will allow movement of the motor relative to the frame member during the pivotal movement while maintaining the output of the motor in substantially axially aligned relation to the input of the fan.

Claim 6 (cancelled).

Claim 7 (currently amended). The drive of claim 1, wherein the motor comprises a fluid motor, and the resiliently flexible member connects to a flange of the motor with a single fastener.

Claim 8 (currently amended). A drive for a cleaning fan supported by a frame member of an agricultural combine, comprising:

a motor including an output rotatable about a first axis therethrough, the output being ~~connectable~~ connected in rotatably driving relation to an input of a cleaning fan rotatable about a second axis therethrough; and

a mounting element ~~for~~ mounting the motor to the frame member, the mounting element including a bracket connected to the frame member, the bracket including a dependent leg which extends downwardly from the frame member, and an elongate, resiliently flexible member ~~for~~ having a first longitudinal end connected to the leg of the

bracket such that the flexible member extends longitudinally horizontally therefrom, the resiliently flexible member having an opposite longitudinal end connected to the motor, the resiliently flexible member preventing rotation of the motor about the axes relative to the frame member while supporting and holding the motor such that the first axis will be substantially aligned with the second axis when the output is rotatably drivingly connected to the input, the resilient flexibility of the mounting element allowing a limited amount of relative axial and angular movement between the output and the input of the motor relative to the frame member.

Claim 9 (original). The drive of claim 8, wherein the output and the input each comprise a shaft, respectively.

Claim 10 (currently amended). The drive of claim 8, wherein the motor comprises a fluid motor, and the resiliently flexible member connects to a flange of the motor with a single fastener.

Claim 11 (currently amended). The drive of claim 8, wherein the resiliently flexible member ~~has an elongate shape and~~ extends longitudinally between the frame member and the motor transversely relative to the first and second axes.

Claim 12 (original). The drive of claim 8, wherein the mounting element supports the motor in cantilever relation to the frame member.

Claim 13 (currently amended). The drive of claim 8, wherein ~~an input end of the cleaning fan including the rotatable input is supported from the frame member~~ the resiliently flexible member comprises an elastomeric material.

Claim 14 (currently amended). A cleaning fan assembly for a ~~self-leveling~~ cleaning system of an agricultural combine, comprising:

a fan shaft supported by a structural element of the cleaning system for rotation about a first longitudinal axis through the fan shaft, and a drive including a motor having a rotatable output shaft connected in end-to-end axially aligned rotatably driving relation to the fan shaft, wherein the drive is flexibly mounted to the structural element solely by an elastomeric member which is constructed and oriented so as to allow some limited movement of the drive relative to the structural member while maintaining the axially aligned rotatably driving relation to the fan shaft.

Claim 15 (currently amended). The cleaning fan assembly of claim 14, wherein the motor comprises a fluid motor, and the resiliently flexible member connects to a flange of the motor with a single fastener.

Claim 16 (currently amended). The cleaning fan assembly of claim 14, wherein the elastomeric member has an elongate shape and extends longitudinally generally horizontally between the structural element and the motor transversely to the axially aligned shafts.

Claim 17 (original). The cleaning fan assembly of claim 16, wherein the elastomeric member supports the motor in cantilever relation to the structural element.

Claim 18 (cancelled).